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## THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY SCREENS BIBLIOBURRO

The Story of a Librarian—and Library—Like No Other.

**SAN DIEGO** – The San Diego Public Library, in partnership with PBS' Point-of-View (POV) Series, will host a film screening of *Biblioburro* on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Logan Heights Branch Library, located at 567 South 28th Street in San Diego. This free event is open to the public.

Biblioburro, directed by Carlos Réndon Zipagauta, is the story of a librarian — and a library — like no other. A decade ago, Colombian teacher Luis Soriano was inspired to spend his weekends bringing a modest collection of precious books, via two hard-working donkeys, to the children of a poor and violence-ridden province. As Soriano braves armed bands, drug traffickers, snakes and heat, his library on hooves carries an inspirational message about education and a better future for Colombia. His efforts have attracted worldwide attention — and imitators — but his story has never been better told than in this heartwarming yet unsentimental one-hour film.

This event is a collaboration with the award-winning documentary series POV (www.pbs.org/pov). "Since 1988, PBS' "POV" series has brought the best of independent documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America's most innovative documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today's most pressing social issues. *Biblioburro* is scheduled to debut on national public television on July 19.

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog online at <a href="https://www.sandiegolibrary.org">www.sandiegolibrary.org</a>. For more information about the film screening of *Biblioburro* at Logan Heights Branch Library, please call (619) 533-3968.

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